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SUBJECT: VISAS FOR SEYMOUR TOPPINGS

REF: (A) JIDDA 6340 (B) STATE 232786

1. FOLLOWING DE ONIS DISCUSSIONS WITH AMBASSADOR, TOPPING HAS CHANGED HIS SCHEDULE FOR SAUDI ARABIA TO FOLLOWING: DEPART LONDON SV 796 ARRIVE RIYADH 0015 HOURS WEDNESDAY NOV 27, STAYING AT AL-YAMAMA HOTEL; DEP RIYADH 0900 NOV 29 SV 750 ARRIVE DHAHRAN 0945, STAYING AT ARAMCO GUEST HOUSE; DEPART DHAHRAN 1900 NOV 30 SV 759 ARR JIDDA 2155, STAYING AT KANDARA PALACE HOTEL; DEPART JIDDA DEC 2 0800 SV 747 FOR CAIRO.

2. TOPPING INCREASINGLY DISTRESSED THAT SAG CONSUL GENERAL NEW YORK UNAWARE OF HIS VISA SITUATION AND CAN GIVE NO INDICATION OF WHETHER VISA WILL BE FORTHCOMING. AS PER REF A WE HAVE NOT TOLD TOPPING OF YOUR DISCUSSION WITH PRINCE FAHD, BUT WE WOULD APPRECIATE WORD SOONEST ABOUT VISAS SO TOPPINGS CAN OBTAIN VISAS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE
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3. TOPPING HAS MENTIONED HIS DESIRE HAVE AUDIENCE

WITH KING AND RAISED POSSIBILITY AMBASSADOR'S ASSISTANCE.
WE REPLIED WE ASSUMED AMBASSADOR AND DE ONIS HAD DIS-
CUSSED BEST APPROACH ON THIS SUBJECT. TOPPING DID NOT
PRESS POINT. KISSINGER

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